

**Question 174:** **Reference:** Section L.32(7) (Page 74 of 82) states: "For amounts based on actual and verifiable data, evidence shall be included in the proposal". **Question:** What type of specific evidence is required? Is this the proper place to submit estimate backup data?

**Answer:** Section L.32 (7). For information other than indirect rates, specific types of evidence includes, but is not limited to, a description of what the estimate is based on, for example: vendor quotations, engineering judgment, market research, etc., if any. Actual documentation is not required. For indirect rates only, evidence of actual costs recorded within the offeror's accounting system used as the basis of or in support of indirect rates proposed or from which out-year rate projections are made; copies of certified incurred cost rate submissions; memorandum evidence in support of approved provisional indirect rates, etc. should be included. Regarding direct labor rates for specific labor categories, the Offeror should ensure that the proposed rates at a minimum meet the rates for those categories stated in the Wage Determination that will be provided to assist the offerors in preparation of their cost proposals. The solicitation will be amended.

**Question 175:** Section L.32 (13) states that the last 3 years of financial statements and annual reports are required from the offeror and any major or critical subcontractors. Given the requirement in L.29(C) to provide 10 copies of the cost proposal, and the fact that many of these reports will be in sealed packages, this will result in an unusually large volume of financial statements and annual reports. We request lowering the required copies of 3 years of financial statements and annual reports to one copy from each entity.

**Answer:** Section L.2(c) and L.32(13). The offerors should submit 1 original plus 3 copies of the 3 years of financial statements and annual reports. Copies of the 3 years of financial statements and annual reports shall be included on all 5 copies of the CD-ROMs provided. Section L.29(c) will be revised. The solicitation will be amended.

**Question 176:** Can offerors add lower level WBS elements from the ECES template to the WBS provided in the cost templates, or is level 4 the lowest level to be used?

**Answer:** Per section L.32 (4) a. ".....Use of the government provided WBS structure presented in Schedule 4 of the Cost Templates is mandatory." Offerors must provide the information at level 4 at a minimum. Offerors may use lower levels, using the ECES guidelines. Attachments L-5 Cost Template and Instructions and Attachment L-6 Sample Direct Labor Hours Template will be revised. The solicitation will be amended.

**Question 177:** The RFP specifically states that the contractor should "Use of the government provided WBS structure presented in Schedule 4 of the Cost Templates is mandatory." In several cases there are activities that are specifically defined in the Environmental Cost Element Structure (ECES) codes but DOE has not provided a WBS (ECES) code in the RFP. For example, the contractor is to provide a Public Outreach Plan which would fall under the ECES code for "Community Relations Plan" of 0.3.06. However, DOE has not provided this WBS code. Should the contractor use the WBS code 2.4.03.13.9X "Other Plans" for the plan or can the contract add the ECES code 2.4.03.06 to the WBS?

**Answer:** Section L.32, Attachment L-5 and Attachment L-6. The WBS is defined for the site to level 4. Below level 4, the ECES codes contained in Attachment L-5, Schedule 4 and Attachment L-6 should apply, where appropriate. Attachments L-5 Cost Template and Instructions and Attachment L-6 Sample Direct Labor Hours Template will be revised. The solicitation will be amended.

**Question 178:** "WBS items 01.01.04.06 and 01.02.04.06 refer to Surveillance and Maintenance in Areas A and B respectively. Can DOE provide any additional data on the S&M requirements of those areas such as site S&M plans, maintenance history of buildings, etc. to use as forming a basis for estimating the costs associated with these requirements? In recent EMCBC RFPs (Paducah Remediation and Portsmouth D&D) DOE has chosen to provide the bidders with the costs associated with S&M functions

for estimating purposes. If there is not additional information available, would DOE consider simply providing a cost for all bidders to use?"

**Answer:** Section L.32, Attachment L-5 and Attachment L-6. Offerors should assume that the S&M costs for current regulatory compliance, security, and maintenance for Area A is \$1M per year. Offerors should assume that the S&M costs for current regulatory compliance, security, and maintenance for Area B is \$500,000 per year. The solicitation will be amended.

**Question 179:** The provided list of figures does not appear to include electrical, mechanical, piping, equipment, instrumentation, HVAC, etc. drawings. Will DOE provide the drawings that contain the additional detailed information required to develop take offs of all the building components for development of the D&D estimate?

**Answer:** Section L.31(2) Criterion 2 – Technical and Management Approach (Sample Task) and Attachment L-3. Additional drawings will be provided regarding the HVAC. The solicitation will be amended. However, the Department does not believe that additional drawings are necessary for preparation of the proposals. Offerors should assume there are no unusual or unique features associated with electrical, mechanical, and piping systems. Information regarding the equipment in the MRB has been provided.

**Question 180:** Sample Task - In section 5.1, paragraph 2 states that "other support systems are located within the MRB but outside the FSMHF [footprint] "What support systems are being referred to?"

**Answer:** Section L.31(2) Criterion 2 – Technical and Management Approach (Sample Task) and Attachment L-3. The support systems being referred to include the Fire Suppression System located in the basement of the MRB, which operates throughout the MRB except for the Hot Cells. Other support systems within the MRB, but outside of the FSMHF footprint include: steam and water. Electrical power and communications systems are throughout the entire MRB.

**Question 181:** Please provide individual groundwater contaminant concentration data over time for boundary wells (MW-002, 317021) and the source area wells (MW-001 and MW-003).

**Answer:** Section L.31(2) Criterion 2 – Technical and Management Approach (Sample Task) and Attachment L-3, Table 5. The values shown in Section L, Table 5 are stated to be maximum concentrations. Offerors should assume that plume concentrations remain constant with seasonal variations up to 30 percent lower.

**Question 182:** What are the quantity and size of the small fume hoods or any other fume hoods.

**Answer:** Section L.31(2) Criterion 2 – Technical and Management Approach (Sample Task) and Attachment L-3, Section 5.2. Offerors should assume that Room F-109 (Hot Machine Shop, also referred to as the General Purpose Shop) was previously cleaned up for re-use and still contains two small hoods that survey below radiological free release criteria. These two small [fume] hoods are 24 inches wide by 25 inches deep by 32 inches high.

**Question 183:** Sample Task - In section 5.2, the first paragraph states there is a materials fabrication area containing hoods and other equipment including glove boxes, shielded glove boxes, and a "Hot Machine Shop." Please provide an inventory of residual equipment, glove boxes and machine tools in this area.

**Answer:** Section L.31(2) Criterion 2 – Technical and Management Approach (Sample Task) and Attachment L-3. The materials fabrication area includes the Electron Beam Laboratory (EBL) (Rooms F-117, F-117A, F-118, and F-188A) and the former "Hot Machine Shop", also referred to as General Purpose Shop (Room F-109). There are no other residual equipment or machine tools in the EBL beyond

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what is listed in the Attachment L-3, Section 5.2. Information on the gloveboxes contained in the EBL is provided in Section 5.2, on page 9 of 36.

Section L, Attachment L-3, paragraph 5.2 refers to a "Hot Machine Shop. Room F-109, General Purpose Shop listed in Section 5.2 on page 7 of 36 is the "Hot Machine Shop". F-109 was previously cleaned up for re-use and still contains two old hoods that survey below radiological free release criteria. There are no other machine tools or residual equipment in F-109.

The solicitation will be amended.